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SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

DEPCIRTEL 700.

Go signal received 3:30 p.m. Saw Foreign Minister 4:00 p.m.
He and I spoke with President Stroessner 6:30 p.m. Not
having either speech or draft resolution available I could
only present President's letter to him and cover all points
set-forth in paragraph 4 through 9 of Circular 700. President's
reaction was

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I stated he and Foreign Minister needed a little time to consider Kennedy's speech and related documents before being in position to say precisely what GOP's position would be on such matters. Foreign Minister and I explained purpose of proposed COAS meeting tomorrow and I expressed hope to President that Ambassador Plate might receive instructions to support USG's position. I judge that he will, but probably not by 10:00 tomorrow.

President appreciated having received direct word from President Kennedy and is going to answer the letter.

SNOW

DMB

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